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ON GUARD



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Sword fighting became an art for these two actors starring in *The Three Musketeers* at Meadow Brook Theatre this fall. See the list of upcoming shows.

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Gus Macker players dunked the shots at OU for an entire weekend last month. See the shots that showed the action.

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SILENT AIRWAVE

FCC mutes OU's first FM station

By SALLY TATO
News Editor

Just days before OU's first FM radio station, WXOU, was officially scheduled to debut on the airwaves, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) hit the mute button.

Dean of Students David Herman received the letter bearing the bad news from the FCC on Aug. 28.

The letter read, "... Since the WXOU facility has not been constructed in accordance with the terms and conditions of its underlying construction permit, we cannot grant program test authority at this time. . . WXOU may not commence operation."

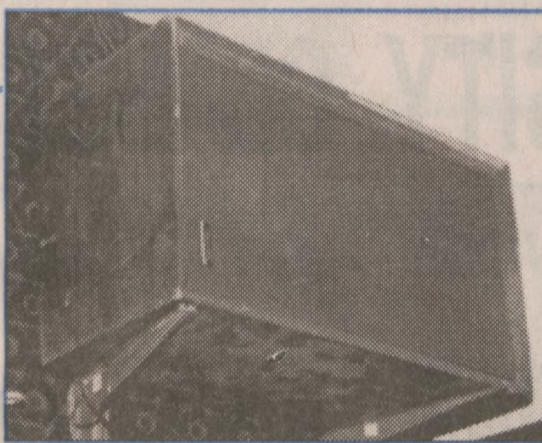
"It was very disappointing after so many years of work," Herman said.

According to the FCC, engineers for WXOU originally indicated in the station's 1990 construction permit application, that the station would be located in the city of Oakland. Since a city of Oakland does not exist, staff members at WXOU have assumed that the engineer meant Oakland Township.

However, OU's radio station is located on the campus of the university, or even more specifically, the basement of the Oakland Center.

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--Dennis Williams
Assistant Chief Audio
Services Division
Federal Communications Commission



HIGH TECH: WXOU General Manager Jon Moshier broadcasts into the OC speaker last semester. It looks like the campus radio station might be forced to repeat history this year.



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Now, the university has the option of correcting the error when they apply for another license, a process that takes 6-8 months.

Herman said that they're not sure if they are going to have to do that. Instead, the university is looking locally and in Washington D.C. for an attorney who specializes in FCC legal matters to help choose the best option available.

"It's too early to tell. We want the advice of someone who specializes in this so that we can get on the air as soon as possible," he said.

Susan Gerrits, general counsel for the university agreed and said that seeking outside counsel

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Residence hall activities high; head count low

By JILL ROBINSON
Staff Writer

The OU residence halls are ready for returning students with a brand-new look this fall, but fewer students will be in the dorms to enjoy them.

"We anticipated a lot more freshman according to information (like surveys and placement tests) that we received over the summer," she said.

Instead, only 1,167 students signed dorm contracts this year, versus the 1,186 who lived in the halls last year.

Reynolds attributes the lower head count to results of surveys done this summer that indicate that the majority of freshman this year are living in Oakland County and commuting to school.

Regardless of the fewer number of students though, the residence halls still received a minor face-lift this summer, with the most changes occurring in Vandenberg Hall.

"The buildings have been spruced up quite a bit," Reynolds said.

Vandenberg Hall received new carpeting and a paint job and lounges in Hamlin Hall now include venetian blinds, while each room has

its own telephone.

Another new addition for residence hall students this year is "Trouble Shooting Day" on Tuesday, Sept. 5 and continued on Wednesday, Sept. 6.

The goal of the sessions are to address concerns of new and returning students to the residence halls, said Jean Ann Miller, assistant director of residence halls.

"It's just one more opportunity for students to get a quick answer from a familiar face," Miller said. "It was created to provide customer service to students."

Students will get answers to any university questions they may have, as well as maintenance problems they could be having in their rooms.

But more importantly, Miller said, the event gives students an opportunity to get more comfortable with their new situation away from home.

"It's one more reason to reassure them that they made the right decision to live on campus," she said.

And if that's not enough, residence halls are also offering plenty of activities during Welcome Week, including: a picnic lunch tomorrow, and a beach party on Saturday.

"We're very excited about the upcoming year," Miller said.



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GETTING ACQUAINTED: Residence hall students get a better feel for each other during orientation sessions held over the Labor Day weekend.

OU puts the welcome mat in place

By COURTNEY WILCOX
Special Writer

OU's waiting open-armed for students to return this fall, offering a week chock full of activities during its third annual Welcome Week, beginning Tuesday, Sept. 5.

Live music, concerts, educational seminars and a special guest appearance by MTV's "Real World" star Judd Winick are just a few of the events filling the week.

"Welcome Week will be an exciting time for the Oakland University community. As the students return to campus, they will be greeted with infor-

mation tables, academic sessions and social events to kick off the new school year," said Marilyn Broderick, assistant director of orientation.

Started in 1992, Welcome Week has become a tradition at the university, offering ways to make all students, new and old, feel welcome and involved, said Broderick.

To avoid confusion during the week-long event, information tables will be set up Tuesday through Thursday in the Oakland Center and South Foundation Hall with detailed lists of events taking place during the week, a catalog and staff members who will answer students' questions.

Sampling Welcome Week

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Career Resource Center Grand Opening -popcorn -videos 1-4 p.m. 121/154 North Foundation Hall	Onita Sanders Harpist Concert 11:45-1 p.m. Oakland Center patio	Judd Winick, MTV's "Real World" 2:30-3:30 p.m. Oakland Center Crockery	Irish Music Concert 11:45-1 p.m. OC Patio	Residence Halls "Beach Party" 9 p.m.- midnight Vandenberg Hall Open to residence halls students and their guests
	Ice Cream Social 4:30-6:30 p.m. Beer Lake and Vandenberg	Musician/Comedian Mike Rayburn 8 p.m. OC	The Brady Bunch Outdoor Movie 9:30 p.m. O'Dowd Hall entrance steps	

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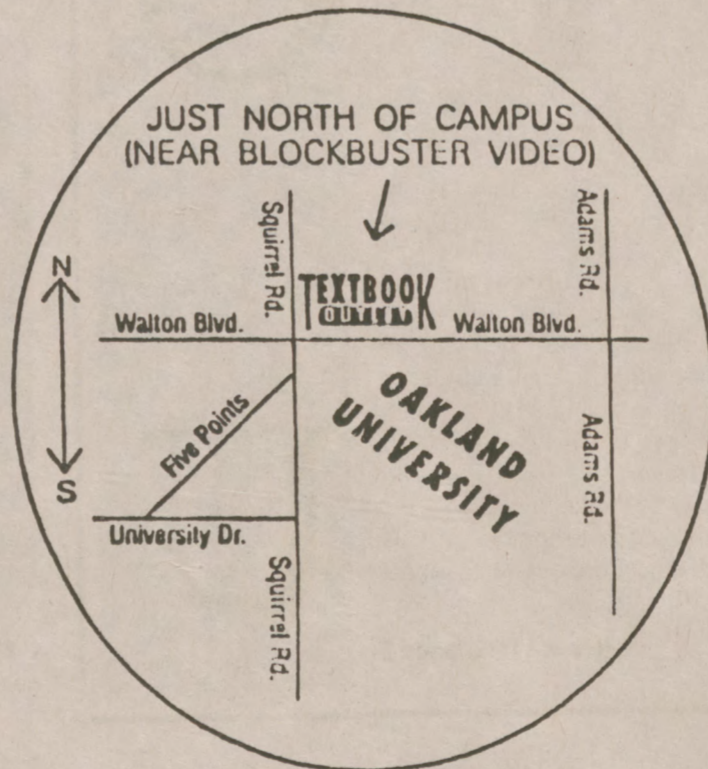
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Saturday: 12:00pm to 5:00pm
Sunday: Closed

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Friday: 8:30am to 5:30pm
Saturday: 12:00pm to 5:00pm